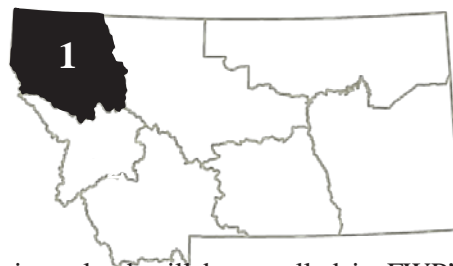


## *Region 1*

### *2015 Block Management Program*



For the 2015 hunting season, approximately 816,000 acres of private land will be enrolled in FWP's Region 1 Block Management Program. The majority of these lands are owned by corporate timber companies: Plum Creek Timber Company, F.H. Stoltze Land and Lumber Company and Stimson Lumber Company. However, traditional private land BMAs can also be found in Region 1. This region of Montana is primarily a densely conifer forested habitat type, which offers opportunity to hunt elk, deer, moose, black bear, wolf, mountain grouse, turkey and occasionally waterfowl.

Individual BMA maps are available online as well as at the Region 1 headquarters in Kalispell. To access maps online, visit the FWP website at <http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/hunterAccess/blockman/regions/region1/>. It is recommended you print your maps from a color printer to ensure color coded restrictions and landownership are clearly represented. The Plum Creek BMA map is intended to depict broad landscape ownership. For greater detail with respect to Plum Creek ownership, use the appropriate National Forest Service Map (Flathead, Kootenai or Lolo).

Plum Creek Timber Company also offers opportunities for hunters with disabilities. For more information visit the R1 FWP headquarters at:

490 North Meridian Road  
Kalispell, Montana 59901  
Phone: (406) 752-5501

Remember, Block Management lands are **private lands** that are open to public use. They are available only as long as we treat these properties with respect and follow all rules and regulations.

Some general regulations you will need to know before you go hunting are:

- \* Motorized vehicles are permitted only on open, established roads.
- \* Off-road vehicle use is prohibited.
- \* A bermed road is a closed road.
- \* Roads with gates are closed, whether the gate is open or closed, unless posted other wise.
- \* There is a 14-day camping limit in some areas.
- \* Permits are required for firewood cutting.

And as always, remember that a State Lands Recreational Use permit is required if you plan to utilize state lands for activities other than hunting, fishing or trapping.

REGION 1 BLOCK MANAGEMENT AREAS

BMA No.	BMA Name	General Location	Acres	Dates Open to Hunting	Method for Obtaining Permission/ BMA Type	Primary Hunting Opportunities	Hunting District	BLM or USFS Map	Additional Information
1	Naegeli Ranch	Little Beaver Creek, near Thompson Falls	920	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Written permission from landowner.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Bear, Turkey, Waterfowl	D/E 121 BMU 108	Kootenai National Forest	Walk-in hunting from designated access routes.
2	Kohler Lake	South of Creston	160	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Written permission administered by R1 FWP.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkey, Waterfowl	D/E 132 BMU 106	Flathead National Forest	Weapon restricted area. Walk-in hunting limited to 1 party per day. Will be open for 2016 spring turkey season.
3	Gardner Ranch	Trout Creek	881	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Register daily at sign-in box.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkey, Waterfowl	D/E 121 BMU 108	Kootenai National Forest	Walk-in hunting only.
4	Meuli Ranch	Proctor/Dayton	3,000	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Register daily at sign-in box.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkey, Waterfowl	D/E 120 BMU 105	Flathead National Forest	Walk-in hunting only. This BMA is closed the first three days of the general rifle season.
5	Peters Family Trust	West of Trego	653	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Written permission from landowner.	WT Deer, Elk, Turkey	D/E 101	Kootenai National Forest	Walk-in hunting only.
6	Columbia Falls Aluminum Company (CFAC) South Half	Northeast of Columbia Falls	900	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Written permission administered by R1 FWP.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkey	D/E 132 BMU 106	Flathead National Forest	This area is for youth and PTHFV hunters only.
8	F.H. Stoltze Land and Lumber Company Johnson Creek	North of Columbia Falls	1,500	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Permission is not required. Users must follow BMA rules/regulation and Open Lands Use Policy	WT/M Deer, Elk, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkey	D/E 110, 132 BMU 106	Flathead National Forest	Contact the R1 FWP office or Stoltze office for BMA map and regulations and a copy of the <i>Stoltze Open Land Use Policy</i> .
9	F.H. Stoltze Land and Lumber Company Haskell Basin-Trumble Creek	Northeast of Whitefish	10,200	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Permission is not required. Users must follow BMA rules/regulation and Open Lands Use Policy	WT/M Deer, Elk, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkey	D/E 110 BMU 103	Flathead National Forest	Contact the R1 FWP office or Stoltze office for BMA map and regulations and a copy of the <i>Stoltze Open Land Use Policy</i> .
10	Avista-South Fork Bull River	Southwest of Libby	574	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Written permission is required. Obtain permission by contacting the Avista Land office in Noxon.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkey, Waterfowl	D/E 121 BMU 104	Kootenai National Forest	Walk-in hunting only. Limited to 4 hunters per day. Will be open for 2016 spring turkey season.

To receive maps and permission information through the mail, please call (406) 752-5501.

**REGION 1 BLOCK MANAGEMENT AREAS**

BMA No.	BMA Name	General Location	Acres	Dates Open to Hunting	Method for Obtaining Permission/ BMA Type	Primary Hunting Opportunities	Hunting District	BLM or USFS Map	Additional Information
11	Avista-Bull River	Southwest of Libby	155	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Register daily at sign-in box.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Moose, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkeys, Waterfowl	D/E 121 BMU 104	Kootenai National Forest	Walk-in hunting only. Limited to 2 vehicles in the parking area at a time. Weapon restricted area.
12	Avista-Tuscor	West of Trout Creek	500	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Written permission is required. Obtain permission by contacting the Avista Land office in Noxon.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Upland Game birds, Turkeys, Waterfowl	D/E 121	Kootenai National Forest	Walk-in hunting only. Limited to 4 hunters per day. Will be open for 2016 spring turkey season.
13	Stimson Ruby-Brush	North of Troy	7,567	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Permission is not required.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Moose, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkey	D/E 104	Kootenai National Forest	Walk-in hunting only.
14	Lake Mary Ronan	Northwest of Dayton	1,420	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Register daily at sign-in box.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkey	D/E 120 BMU 105	Flathead National Forest	Walk-in hunting only.
15	Stimson Troy	Troy	21,428	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Permission is not required.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Moose, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkey	D/E 100, 104, 121, 123	Kootenai & Lolo National Forests	Walk-in hunting only.
16	Avista	Northwest Montana	3,800	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Permission is not required.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Moose, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkeys, Waterfowl	D/E 121, 123	Kootenai & Lolo National Forests	Walk-in hunting only. Hunters must follow the <i>Avista Open Lands Use Policy</i> .
100	Plum Creek Timber Company	Northwest Montana	762,360	Sept 1 – Dec 31	Permission is not required.	WT/M Deer, Elk, Moose, Bear, Upland Game birds, Turkeys, Waterfowl	D/E 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 110, 120, 121, 122, 124, 132	Kootenai, Flathead & Lolo National Forests	Contact the R1 FWP office in Kalispell for BMA map and regulations and <i>Plum Creek Timber Company Open Lands Use Policy</i> .

*To receive maps and permission information through the mail, please call (406) 752-5501.*



## **Clark Fork Hydro Project Lands Policy (FERC Project #2058)**

Avista Utilities welcomes the responsible and appropriate use of our land for noncommercial activities such as fishing, hunting, camping, picnicking, and hiking. Avista property is privately owned, however it is open to the public in most areas.

Follow posted rules and regulations when visiting Avista lands. Individuals violating rules and regulations will be expelled from Avista lands and may receive a citation.

Please Note: Water levels are subject to change without notice.

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### **Motor Vehicle and Road Restrictions**

Avista restricts motorized use on our land to preserve important natural resources, limit the spread of noxious weeds and protect company property

- Motorized traffic is limited to designated roads.
- ATV's must be licensed; an ATV sticker is not a substitute for license.
- All state laws apply (speed limit, valid drivers' license, etc.).

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### **Camping Rules and Regulations**

Camping is allowed unless otherwise posted. Some areas have site specific rules and regulations posted. It is your responsibility to know if special rules apply.

- There is a 14 day camping limit in any 30 day period and a 30 day limit per year.
- Use only down wood for fires. Fires must be attended at all times.
- Campsites cannot be left unattended overnight.
- Pack it in, pack it out. There is no garbage service.
- Fireworks are not permitted on Avista property.
- Animals must be leashed if requested by another individual.

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Commercial activity (outfitting / guiding, firewood cutting, etc.) is allowed with written permission only. Do not trespass on other private property to reach Avista land.

### **Welcome to Avista Utilities land.**

Please call 406-847-1280 if you have questions or comments or contact MFWP Region 1 office in Kalispell at 406-752-5501.



**Montana Fish,  
Wildlife & Parks**



## Rocky Mountain Region Open Lands Policy

September 15, 2013

Plum Creek welcomes the responsible use of its timberlands by the public for non-commercial recreation such as; hunting, fishing, camping and trapping. Logging and forestry activities are ongoing however, and may pose a danger. Please adhere to the following rules when using Plum Creek lands.

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### **Road Restrictions:**

Plum Creek often restricts the type of motorized access permitted on its lands to protect wildlife security, prevent sedimentation from logging roads, reduce the spread of noxious weeds, and protect company property. The following rules apply to Plum Creek roads:

- Plum Creek restricts road use with gates, barricades, earthen barriers, or signs. This may be a restriction on roads owned by Plum Creek or a restriction on roads that are cooperatively owned, such as a road cost-shared with the Forest Service. A cooperative road management sign identifies the intended restriction.
- A gate, whether opened or closed, with no sign is a year-round closure to all motorized vehicles.
- Road restrictions apply behind unmarked gates, even if the gate is vandalized or open.
- For a road to be open behind a gate, it must be specifically designated by a sign as "Open".
- An earthen barrier without a sign is considered a "Closure" to all motorized vehicles, except snowmobiles between December 15 and April 1.
- Gates must not be blocked. Administrative, contractor or emergency traffic may need to pass through.
- All "off-road" motorized vehicle use is prohibited.
- Hunting or transportation of hunters or game with administrative or commercial vehicles is prohibited behind any road closure.

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### **Camping:**

Camping is limited to 14 days per campsite. During this time, the campsite must not be left unattended for more than three consecutive days. Camping beyond 14 days requires relocating to a new site at least five miles from the original site. A Plum Creek permit is required for any Exceptions and Special Use camping. Cutting standing trees is not permitted at any time.

### **Campers must:**

- Pack out all garbage and leave the area clean.
- Be careful with fire.
- Avoid polluting with human waste. Toilets located within 300 feet of water must be self-contained.

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### **Trapping:**

Recreational wolf trapping, as defined by published Montana FWP trapping regulations is allowed.

Regulations and limits will adhere and be as defined by set Montana FWP trapping license regulations.

Wolf trappers must be MFWP "Wolf Trapper Certified".

Wolf trappers must register at local MFWP Regional offices with; name, trapping location – (S/T/R) and phone #.

No trapping on active logging and road construction projects (if machinery is in the area, it is closed to trapping).

Land based- Trap setbacks required; 150' from all open or gated roads and hiking trails. 1,000' from all residences and trailheads.

**\*\*Please note that commercial activity, including trapping and woodcutting is not permitted on Plum Creek land without a Plum Creek "Use Permit".**

**\*\*It is your responsibility to know whose property you are using and you should avoid trespassing on the private property of others to reach Plum Creek lands.**

**Please report violations or vandalism to Plum Creek or Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks.**

**Plum Creek: Kalispell 406-751-2400**

**Libby 406-293-6204**

**Montana Department of**

**Fish, Wildlife & Parks: Kalispell 406-752-5501**

**Missoula 406-542-5500**

## Open Lands Policy

May 2015

The Nature Conservancy (TNC) allows responsible use of its forestland in Western Montana for public recreation, such as hunting, fishing and camping. Hazards exist, so recreationists must use caution and enter at their own risk. Logging and land management activities are ongoing, and may pose a danger. The following regulations must be adhered to when using TNC forestlands:

- **Non-motorized public access is allowed** on all lands, at all times of the year, unless otherwise posted.
- **Wheeled motorized access is allowed**, but is limited to open, established roads.
- **No unauthorized wheeled motorized use** of closed roads or trails is allowed. Closed roads and trails are often posted as such by TNC. However, a closed gate or other closure device (such as a log barricade or earthen berm) with no sign is closed to all wheeled motorized vehicles. Road restrictions apply even if a sign, gate or closure device has been vandalized or damaged.
- **Gates** must not be blocked. Administrative, contractor, or emergency traffic may need to pass through.
- **No off-road** or off-trail wheeled motorized use is allowed by the general public.
- **Snowmobiles** are allowed from December 1 to April 1, except where signed closures exist. To reduce impacts to soils, vegetation and wildlife, TNC requests that snowmobilers stay on groomed or signed snowmobile routes, or the forest road system.
- **Hunting, fishing** and all forms of legal animal harvest in accordance with relevant state laws are allowed. TNC reserves the right to close its lands to specific forms of animal harvest at TNC's sole discretion.
- Hunting or transportation of hunters or game with administrative or commercial vehicles is prohibited behind a closure.
- The use of Exploding Targets is NOT allowed on TNC lands. Areas may be closed to Recreational Shooting at TNC's sole discretion. Recreational shooters are required to clean up all shooting waste.
- Personal-use plant, berry and mushroom harvesting are allowed.
- **Permitted personal-use firewood** gathering of dead or down wood is allowed **from June 1 to December 31**. A \$15.00 permit is required, allowing for 5 cords per permit. Vehicles must stay on established, open roads for wood retrieval. Commercial firewood harvesting is not allowed, except as specifically permitted.
- **Camping** is limited to 16 days per campsite. During this time the campsite must not be left unattended for more than 3 consecutive days. Camping beyond 16 days requires relocating to a new site at least 5 miles from the original site. To minimize conflicts with bears and other wildlife: human, pet and livestock food, garbage and all other attractants must be acceptably stored at all times (see Lolo Nat'l Forest Food/Wildlife Attractant Storage Special Order #F11-005-Lolo-Forest). During campsite occupation, firewood may be cut only for use within that campsite. No live trees may be cut by campers.
- The use of **Certified Weed-Seed-Free** livestock hay, forage, and bedding is required for all livestock users and animal handlers. Do not tie livestock to trees; instead use a post, high-line or hitch-rail.
- **Pack out all garbage.** Leave TNC lands as clean as or cleaner than you found them.
- Do not pollute with human waste. Pack out or bury all human waste at least 6" deep. Toilets located within 300 feet of water must be self-contained.
- All activity on TNC lands is at the individual's OWN RISK. TNC assumes no liability or responsibility of any kind with respect to any of the activities described above or otherwise.
- Any use of TNC lands not consistent with these regulations shall be considered trespassing (and/or any other applicable crime) and shall be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
- TNC reserves the right to close off access to all or any portion of its lands, or to require anyone to leave its lands, at any time, for any reason.
- TNC forestlands in Western Montana are managed in collaboration with Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

It is your responsibility to know whose property you are using and that property's regulations. Avoid trespassing on private property.

**Please report violations or vandalism to: Montana FWP at 1-800-TIP-MONT.**

For more information or to purchase a firewood permit, contact TNC at 443-0303 or 543-6681.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!**